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Good Afternoon Unified Command Partners,

Here is a summary EPA's activities on Site this week

Accomplishments

- Excavated mounded soil on east end of the Site. This area contained a significant concentration of debris, in particular, at least six large (I mean really big!) parachutes. A photo of the equipment pulling up the parachute cords is attached. Additional radiation discrete objects were discovered in the soil and particularly in the parachutes. As explained last week, EPA expects to find additional radiation discrete objects in the subsurface soils. These were shielded so were not picked up in the gamma walkover. Over 20 radiation discrete objects were retrieved from the parachutes alone.
- Several hundred small bottles of photo developer fluid containing hydroquinone were collected and bulked. Hydroquinone is used in photo development and skin bleaching creams.
- Continued collection of articles which are suspected to contain PCBs, such as transformers and capacitors. A 20 cu yd rolloff staged on Site for these articles is approximately 30% full. All articles are screened for radiation.
- VDH met with EPA onsite for an update on outreach to selected resident

Next Week

EPA's contractor will begin excavation on south side of Property #1
Continue to screen subsurface soil for radiation debris
Meet with residents eligible for water treatment systems

Please contact me at 804-337-3049 with any questions and have a great weekend!

Thank you
Chris